

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: US Patent Application 09/770,958
 Filed January 25, 2001
 Title Knife Holder for a Microtome
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Response to Miscellaneous Action

Dear Examiner Dexter:

In response to the Miscellaneous Action mailed September 9, 2003:

In regards to the objections to the Specification, there were no amendments to the specification submitted in the filings of March 22, 2003 or June 25, 2003. The "page 7" replacement refers to the REMARKS of the amendment submitted on March 22, 2003, not the specification. As such, the previously submitted substitute page 7 of the amendment (submitted on March 22, 2003) responding to the Office Action of December 17, 2003 should be acceptable to the Examiner. The line numbers referred to in the specification are not called out to amend the specification, but rather, to direct the Examiner's attention to the portion of the specification that supports claim 1.

Rejections Under 35 USC 112 of claim 1 were addressed in the response submitted on June 25, 2003. Since the June 25, 2003 response was not entered, those changes are still included in this response.

Reference to the workpiece has been removed from claim 1 and the cutting plane has been positively defined.

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We greatly appreciate the Examiner's suggestion for overcoming the "112" objection to the claim. We are pleased to have followed the Examiner's suggestions.

The claims, as amended, are set forth, with strike-throughs denoting deletions and underlining denoting additions.

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Dear Examiner Dexter:

I am faxing you a response (7 pages) to the Miscellaneous Action mailed September 9, 2003.

Sincerely,

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